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ANDOVER, N. H.

1885.

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REPORTS
OF THE
SELECTMEN, TREASURER,
AND
Superintending School Committee,
OF THE
TOWN OF ANDOVER, N. H.,
FOR THE
Year Ending March 1, 1885.

FRANKLIN, N. H. :
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1885.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

ORDERS DRAWN BY PRIOR BOARD.

1884. Paid—

March 10	E. C. Perkins, damage on highway,	\$10 00
5	Daniel Downes, note and interest,	920 57
10	Willis A. Sleeper, breaking roads,	8 40
10	G. H. Haley, breaking roads,	9 79
10	George A. Durgin, public watering place,	3 00
11	R. R. Emery, breaking roads,	-10 80
11	Joseph A. Rowe, public watering place,	3 00
11	Ziba Severance, breaking roads,	4 95
11	T mothy Hillard, for stringers and work on Tilton brook bridge,	2 00
12	George Graves, breaking roads,	9 50
12	Daniel M. Davis, for board of selectmen, supervisors and horse baiting,	37 60
12	Jonathan Cilley, breaking roads,	9 00
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		\$1028 61

OUTSTANDING BILLS.

Paid—

March 27	R. E. Collins, for official reports of 1884,	34 30
April 16	Charles N. Emerson, services as selectman after settlement,	3 00

	16	Charles W. Stone, services as selectman after settlement,	13 65
	17	Frank Tucker, for work on highway from June 16 to August, 1883,	6 15
	18	Henry P. Sullivan, services as selectman after settlement,	5 25
	25	C. G. Pevare, for goods delivered to Frank Austin.	21 85
	29	Shirley & Stone, services in action R. B. Chalmers vs. Town of Andover,	147 95
May	31	Mark J. Leavenworth, for plow furnished to James F. Tilton to replace one broken on District No. 4, H. J. Cilley district,	11 00
	5	John H. Keniston, services as supervisor in 1884,	2 00
	26	E. A. Dawes, for drawing wood by Cilleyville in consequence of the Fellows road not being broken out, and for breaking roads to Smith Gate, on Fellows,	8 00
Aug.	30	Paid Lucy W. Morrill in full for board of Lucy Brown from April, 1883, to Nov 16, 1884,	25 18
Nov.	29	George F. Shaw, for cash paid Friend Bailey for breaking roads in April, 1883,	2 43
	29	H. A. Weymouth, for damage to team on Tucker Mountain, East Andover, and Taunton Hill district,	30 00
	29	John H. Keniston, services as auditor for three years,	25 00
Dec	28	George M. Babbitt, services as supervisor, 1885.	10 00
Jan.	27	Merrimack County Farm, for board of Benjamin R. Stewart,	57 30
Feb.	24	N. J. Bachelder, for books furnished indigent scholars in 1883,	6 40

Feb.	26	Clark Durgin, for public watering place, ending Feb 1, 1884,	3 00
	26	R. R. Emery, damage to axle on Cross road, near Geo. Holt's, in 1883,	5 37
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			\$417 83

BREAKING ROADS IN WINTER 1883-84.

Paid—

March	27	A. L. Cilley, from Dec. to date,	\$25 71
	27	John F. Tilton, from Feb. to March 9,	3 75
	27	Wesley J. Cilley, from March 1 to 29,	5 00
April	16	James C. Nowell, from Dec. to date,	24 15
	16	Joseph Rayno, from Feb. 23 to date,	36 63
	16	John T. Fifield, from March 1 to date,	6 01
	16	Eben Currier, “ “ “	10 49
	16	Alvin Lakin, “ “ “	97
	16	H. F. Flanders, from Feb. 26 to March 21,	4 73
	16	J. D. Philbrick, from Feb. 27 to April 14,	18 68
	16	Jarvis Shaw, from Dec. to date,	25 00
	16	George J. Sweatt, from Jan. 3 to March 20,	9 90
	16	H. H. Tucker, “ “ “	2 93
	16	Payson R. Clay, “ “ “	7 05
	16	Horace Clark, “ “ “	3 15
	16	Willie A. Sleeper, from March to date,	1 20
	16	E. C. Merrill, from Dec. 24 to March 10,	15 15
	16	P. C. Atwood, from March 12 to May 20,	1 20
	16	William Morrill, from March 1 to May 20,	8 85
	16	Charles W. Stone, from March 2 to 12,	16 50
	17	Frank Tucker, from Jan. 23 to April 15,	20 14
	17	Leroy B. Frost, from Feb. 24 to April 14,	63 75
	17	Henry M. Thompson, from Jan. 3 to March 21,	11 29

	17	Henry W. Kilburn, from Feb. 24 to April 16,	12 68
	17	H. P. Prescott,	1 65
	18	A. B. Durgin, from Feb. 27 to date,	15 97
	18	D. C. Durgin, " " "	8 55
	18	Morris Wadleigh, " " "	5 85
	18	Charles Sweatt, " " "	3 00
	18	James Sullivan, from Feb. 17 to date,	17 16
	18	D. & H. P. Sullivan, " "	11 24
	18	John Fenton, " "	1 50
	18	Patrick Fenton, " "	2 20
	18	Elisha Keniston, " "	3 30
	19	N. J. Bachelder, " "	18 30
	19	C. H. Hilton, " "	25 15
April	26	R. R. Emery, on March 12,	1 50
May	31	J. H. Tucker, for snowing Cilleyville bridge and for loam for wash-out,	6 10
June	7	C. J. White, from Feb. 22 to March 15, and for snowing White bridge,	8 25
	28	E. A. Dawes, from Jan. 3 to March 20,	4 45
	28	B. G. Hersey, from Feb. 27 to March 20,	6 90
	28	John W. Keniston, March 17 and 18, on Mompa Hill road,	2 00
July	16	Amos H. Proctor, and for snowing Fifield, Seavey and Keniston bridges, from Feb. 7 to March 20,	39 30
Aug.		True Shaw, from Feb. 20 to March 20,	9 45
Sept.	27	Silas C. Fifield, from Jan. to March,	3 00
Nov.	5	Moses T. Brown, winter 1883-84,	3 00
	5	E. B. Merrill, " "	15 46
	20	E. O. Eastman, " "	31 80
Feb.	28	Daniel M. Davis, " "	3 00

 \$582 99

BREAKING ROADS, WINTER. 1884-85.

Paid—

Feb	21	Amos H. Proctor,	\$41 74
	23	Otis R. Connor,*	6 15
	23	Joseph D. Philbrick,*	55 99
	24	R. R. Emery,	13 20
	24	D & H. P. Sullivan,	16 34
	24	Daniel C. Durgin,*	42 12
	24	Henry M. Thompson,*	17 25
	24	John T. Fifield,*	31 00
	24	N. J. Bachelder,	13 80
	24	James Sullivan,	22 05
	24	Dexter Crosby,	9 75
	24	George F. Shaw,*	45 75
	26	C. J. White,	13 80
	26	Walter J. Merrill,	9 60
	26	James C. Nowell,	10 00
	26	P. C. Atwood,*	23 05
	27	George Graves,	12 35
	27	Jonathan W. Trumbull,*	22 45
	27	Frank H. Thompson,*	36 35
	27	E. B. Merrill,	16 50
	27	Charles H. Hilton,	19 35
	27	C. E. Currier,	8 10
	27	Daniel Burley,*	18 95
	27	Wilton P. Graves,*	41 70

 567 54

*Districts in which all bills have been paid to surveyors.

OTHER EXTRA HIGHWAY.

1884. Paid—

April 16 P. C. Atwood, labor and cash paid on Sea-
vey bridge,

7 0

	16	Elias H. Woodbury, labor on Seavey bridge	1 50
	16	Frank Tucker, repairing wash-out in April,	1 80
May	5	Clark & Haines, for guyrod for Seavey bridge,	24 00
	9	P. C. Atwood, labor and cash paid out repairing wash-out on Fellows road in April,	15 00
	19	Ziba Severance, repairing wash-out,	14 25
	19	Elias H. Woodbury, labor on wash-out on Buswell Hill,	3 00
	31	J. D. Philbrick, cash paid John Bachelder,	1 70
May	31	Leroy B. Frost, repairing wash-out in April,	12 10
June	7	C. J. White, repairing wash-out near Ziba Severance's,	20 25
	20	H. D. Weare, in part pay, labor on road machine,	15 00
	28	Joseph Rayno, repairing wash-out,	2 40
	28	Emerson & Emerson, spikes for Bog bridge,	4 42
	28	P. C. Atwood, labor and cash paid Loverin, Bean & Crosby, and white lead for Bog bridge,	13 50
	28	P. C. Atwood, labor and cash paid for Loverin, Bean & Crosby on White bridge,	6 00
	28	H. M. Thompson, repairing wash-out,	6 75
July	5	Horace P. Clark, work in April,	2 50
	5	H. D. Weare, in full for labor and use of team to date,	12 00
Aug	30	Wesley J. Cilley, labor on Fellows road,	13 05
	30	Daniel Downes, lumber and bridge planks,	80 32
	30	Charles W. Stone, self and team on road machine,	13 25
	30	Charles W. Stone, self and team in district No 9,	8 81
Sept.	27	H. P. Sullivan, labor and cash paid out repairing Beech Hill road,	15 75

	27 Frank G. Hersey, work on Franklin roads,	12 00
	27 H. D. Weare, work on Franklin roads,	9 00
	27 Joseph S. Cullen, work on Franklin roads,	6 00
	27 Daniel B. Burley, work on Franklin roads,	27 00
	27 Daniel B. Burley, work in district No 22,	13 48
	27 C. C. Davis, cash paid for making wood and ironing ox and horse tongues to road machine,	4 80
	27 P. C. Atwood, repairing Fellows road in August,	6 50
Oct	4 E. G. Adams, work on Franklin road,	9 00
	4 Charles Tilton, work on Franklin road,	11 85
	4 Daniel W. Newton, work on Franklin road,	6 25
	4 Charles C. Davis, work on Franklin roads,	12 00
	4 Jonathan W. Trumbull, labor and cash paid in repairing road at Potter Place,	60 75
	29 Henry W. Kilburn, labor on wash-out in April and on Shaw Hill, culverts in October,	10 47
	29 Jonathan Cilley, labor Shaw Hill culverts,	13 95
	29 W. H. Cilley, on same,	15 00
	29 H. P. Sullivan, repairing culvert,	1 65
	29 Walter H. Tucker, work on highway and oak post,	2 07
	29 George F. Shaw, repairing culvert and work on highway,	10 06
	29 Daniel B. Burley, building culvert and cut- ting bushes,	23 85
	29 C. W. Stone, bridge planks, posts and rail- ings,	52 38
Dec.	13 Frank G. Hersey, for bridge stringers and work on Dyer bridge,	17 25
	13 H. D. Weare, labor in Nowell and Fifield districts,	3 50

	13 C. H. Hilton, work on Franklin road,	20 80
	13 Joseph S. Cullen, work on Franklin road,	10 50
	13 Carlos Tilton, work on Franklin road,	6 25
	13 Charles C. Davis, work on Franklin road and cash paid out on same,	25 21
	28 John T. Fifield, work in April on Currier bridge and Shaw Hill culverts.	7 10
	28 George W. Keniston, the same,	1 57
	28 Eben Currier, the same,	57
	28 George H. Haley, work in D. C. Durgin district,	3 50
	28 Jonathan W. Trumbull, work on highway at Potter Place,	6 30
	28 O. R. Connor, work on highway,	12 05
	28 James C. Nowell, work on highway,	7 10
	28 Charles Wiggins, work in districts No 18 and 20,	9 14
	28 George H. Holt, work on Franklin roads,	4 23
	28 Hiram Fellows, for posts,	3 75
	28 George Fellows, work on Franklin road,	1 50
	28 B. E. Sweatt, work on Franklin road,	4 50
	28 C. G. Pevare, for spikes,	1 20
1885.		
Feb	7 George F. Whittemore, cutting bushes,	1 50
	23 J. D. Philbrick, work and cash paid,	7 21
	23 Ziba Severance, damage to plow,	1 25
	23 Daniel Downes, work of team at Potter Place,	4 00
	Sidney M. Cilley, non-resident highway tax paid in labor,	4 00
	James Sullivan.	90
	George F. Shaw, in December,	6 75
	George Graves,	12 75
	J. D. Aiken, bridge plank,	8 50

Frank Tucker,	3 75
H. W. Kilburn, in Nowell's district,	1 50
Frank G. Hersey, in J. T. Fifield district,	3 00
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	\$805 59

ROAD MACHINE.

Paid—

George Tyler,	\$215 00
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TOWN PAUPERS.

Aug	30	C. G. Pevare, goods delivered to Frank Austin,	13 15
Nov	29	Emery & Emerson, goods delivered to Allen J. Seavey,	8 18
1885.			
Jan	3	H. A. Weymouth, M. D., medical attendance on Frank Austin's family,	13 75
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			\$35 08

COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid—

Harriet E. Hazelton, board for T. K. Sweatt, from Feb 20 to Aug 27,	\$40 50
George W. Keniston, board from August 27 to Jan 29, 1885, and cash paid making shirts,	33 75
C. G. Pevare, goods furnished,	3 38
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	\$80 63
Harriet E. Hazelton, board for Betsey	

Blanchard from February 20 to March 16,	4 71
C. W. Cole, goods furnished,	2 50
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	\$7 21

Frank L. Chamberlin, board for Elisha F. Kidder from Feb 1, 1884, to Feb 1, 1885,	65 00
Quimby & Weymouth, for goods,	3 00
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	\$68 00

FOR LUCIA BROWN.

Mrs Lucy W. Morrill, for board from Sept 13, 1883, to Nov 16, 1883,	11 61
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	\$11 61

FOR GEORGE W. BROWN.

Mrs E. C. Merrill, for board from Sept 13, 1883, to April 8, 1884,	27 42
1 pair boots,	2 50
Mending boots,	50
3 pair footings,	1 50
4 pair overalls,	2 60
1 blouse,	65
2 pair of suspenders,	65
1 pair mittens,	50
3 pair shirts,	1 95
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	\$38 12

FOR DAVID JOHNSON.

H. A. Weymouth, visits and medicines,	3 85
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FOR DEARBORN J. GLINES.

H. A. Weymouth, visit and medicine,	1 75
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FOR MARIAM STEVENS.

Frank P. Clark, board from Feb 2, 1884, to Jan 29, 1885,	65 00
For goods and making and care of clothes,	8 80
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	\$73 80

FOR MRS SAMUEL BLOOD.

H. A. Weymouth, visit and medicine,	14 35
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FOR GEORGE PEASLEE.

A. L. Cilley, for making clothes,	3 25
Emery & Emerson,	3 05
W. E. Melendy,	5 17
P. B. Flanders, for boots,	6 50
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	\$39 79
	\$17 97

FOR JOHN SEAVEY AND FAMILY.

Emery & Emerson, for goods,	39 79
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FOR MARY SEAVEY AND CHILD.

Emery & Emerson, for goods,	26 56
E. A. Dawes, for milk,	1 92
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	\$28 48
Henry W. Kilburn, for keeping transients,	10 00
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	\$395 56

AFTER SETTLEMENT.

John S. Tucker, mending boots for George Peaslee,	60
A. J. George, keeping transients,	6 25
William S. Marston, keeping transients,	7 00
C. C. Davis, keeping transients,	2 75
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	\$16 60
	\$412 16

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid—

March	27	Louis H. French, for printing inventory and order blank,	5 00
April	17	William D. Woodbury, for making shelves and setting glass at Town House,	1 80
April	24	J. B. Sanborn, collector book,	65
June	3	H. W. Kilburn, cash paid freight on road machine,	4 62
	28	P. C. Atwood, money voted Grand Army,	25 00
Oct	18	J. B. Sanborn, order, collector and highway surveyors' blank book.	10 18
	28	George W. Stone, cash paid telegraphing to George M. Babbitt,	2 30
1885.			
Jan	31	H. A. Weymouth, return of births and deaths,	5 50
	31	C. A. Cochran, for bolts and work on town safe,	1 60
	31	C. E. Gage, work on town safe,	18 00
	31	H. W. Kilburn, work and cash paid out on town safe,	4 75
Feb	7	Dexter Crosby, sawing wood at Town House,	1 00
	7	Fred E. Davis, work on town safe,	2 00
	7	W. W. Sleeper, returns of births and deaths,	75
	21	A. H. Proctor, wood for Town House, Rev Charles A. Downs, for survey and plan of road at Potter Place in action Gray vs Andover,	4 00 10 00
	24	Sidney M. Cilley, cash paid for printing tax notices,	2 00
	24	J. H. Tucker, public watering place,	3 00
	24	George A. Durgin, public watering place,	3 00

7 Levi Benson, in B. R. Stewart pauper case,	1 50
7 N. J. Bachelder, books furnished indigent scholars,	8 20
Clark Durgin, public watering place,	3 00
Quimby & Weymouth, oil, stationery, etc.,	4 85
Shirley & Stone, retainer,	25 00
“ services in B. R.	
Stewart pauper case,	7 00
Shirley & Stone, services in appraisal and re-appraisal and valuation of Proctor real estate,	6 00
Shirley & Stone, in Mrs. Cross' highway damage case,	2 00
Shirley & Stone, services in Brown & Blood pauper cases,	3 50
Shirley & Stone, services in examining questions of law relating to tax collectors,	4 50
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C. C. Moulton, services as janitor of Town House,	14 75
Charles W. Stone, services in pauper case and use of team,	3 00
27 Charles N. Emerson, services and cash paid out in action W. H. Gray vs Andover,	8 70
27 Charles N. Emerson, sheriff fees in action State vs George J. Whitney,	4 80
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SERVICES AND EXPENSES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

1885. Paid—

May	28	Mrs. Daniel M. Davis, board of selectmen from March 14 to May 29,	\$32 50
	28	Daniel M. Davis, keeping selectmen's horses,	16 25
June	3	Luther T. Frost, part pay for services as selectman,	40 00
	28	Charles C. Davis, part pay for services as selectman,	50 00
	28	Henry W. Kilburn, part pay for services as selectman,	30 00
	28	Daniel B. Weymouth, car fare to sell bonds,	2 00
July	26	H. W. Kilburn, for cash paid car fare, board while taking inventory, and for stationery to date,	10 40
	28	Charles C. Davis, cash paid out taking inventory,	2 50
Sept.	27	Henry W. Kilburn, part pay for services as selectman,	10 00
Nov.	29	Charles C. Davis, part pay for services as selectman,	12 00
Dec.	28	Henry W. Kilburn, part pay for services as selectman,	30 00
Feb.	21	Weare D. Tuttle, services as supervisor from Feb. 15, 1883, to Nov. 4, 1884,	21 75
	21	Andrew C. Fifield, in full for services as fish and game warden,	23 75
	21	Sidney M. Cilley, in full for services as collector for 1882,	10 55
	24	Henry M. Bosworth, services, cash paid out as town clerk to date,	68 17
	24	N. J. Bacheider, in full, services as super-	

intending school committee,		75 00
26 Daniel B. Weymouth, in full, services as treasurer,		25 00
27 Charles C. Davis, in full, use of team and cash paid out,		21 50
27 Sidney M. Cilley, in part pay for services as collector in 1884,		80 00
27 Charles C. Davis, in full, for 71 1-2 days' services as selectman and overseer of the poor,		45 25
27 Henry W. Kilburn, paid expense at Bradford in pauper case,	1 20	
Jesse Baker, whiffletree for road machine,	50	
Car fare to see county commissioners in pauper case,	1 80	
Expense,	50	
Car fare and expense to Danbury,	1 00	
Postage and stationery,	1 59	
A. J. George, board of Davis, E.A. Downes and self, when making survey at Potter Place,	2 00	
Car fare and expenses to Concord and Manchester,	3 80	
Car fare to Concord to settle with county commissioners,	1 80	
Town meeting blanks for November and March,	1 10	
	—	15 29
27 Henry W. Kilburn, use of team to date,		9 50
27 H. W. Kilburn, 80 2-3 days' services as selectman and overseer of the poor to Feb. 26,		54 00
Luther T. Frost, in full for 30 days' services as selectman, use of team, and cash paid out,		16 45
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		\$701 86

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

	Solon A. Carter, state treasurer, state tax,	\$1184 00
	George P. Little, county treasurer, county tax,	1165 05
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		\$2349 05
July	1 Notes and interest paid estate of Watson	
	Dickerson, note given April 1st, 1882,	1140 45
	1 John P. Carr, note given May 2, 1881,	360 75
	1 John P. Carr, note given April, 14, 1884,	303 80
	1 John P. Carr, note given May 5, 1884,	201 83
	1 H. A. Weymouth, note given March 1, 1884,	973 56
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		\$2980 39

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid—		
District No	1 Thirza J. Simonds, in full,	\$74 60
	2 Sibley M. Crosby, in full,	133 12
	3 Edward H. Walker, in full,	120 51
	4 Lewis P. Carr, in full,	269 10
	5 Carlton Hall, in full,	108 52
	7 Payson R. Clay, in full,	145 81
	8 John T. Fifield, in full,	120 81
	9 James C. Nowell, in part,	69 00
	10 C. G. Pevare, in full,	242 80
	11 Frank G. Hersey, in full,	71 57
	12 Luther T. Frost, in full,	160 91
	Extra school tax, in district No, 4,	50 00
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		\$1566 75

SCHOOL HOUSE TAX.

District No	5 Carlton Hall,	15 00
	8 Henry W. Kilburn and J. T. Fifield,	30 00
	12 Charles C. Davis and C. B. Hilton,	450 00
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		\$495 00

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

1884.

Paid—

May	9 Sidney M. Cilley, collector for 1883,	2 00
Nov	29 Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1884, school-house tax, as over-tax,	8 16

1885.

Paid—

Feb	23 Sidney M. Cilley, collector. 1883,	12 84
	23 Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1882,	3 63
	24 Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1884,	23 11
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		\$49 74

BOUNTIES.

Paid—

Bounties on woodchucks, as shown by selectmen's vouchers,	79 20
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DAMAGE ON HIGHWAY.

1884

Paid—

May	5 Betsey Cross,	30 00
July	5 A. L. Cilley,	3 00
Sept	27 Dennis Sullivan,	2 00
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		35 00

DAMAGE DONE BY DOGS.

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1884.

Jennie Morrison,	5 00
Moses T. Brown,	2 50
Urial Rollins,	3 00
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	\$10 50

DOG MONEY, 1883.

Paid—

Amount of dog tax,	80 00
Damage done by dogs, balance to be divided,	10 50
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	69 50

DOG MONEY, 1884.

Amount of dog tax,	91 00
Abatements on same,	11 00
Damage done by dogs as allowed by select- men,	30 50
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	\$41 50
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Balance to be divided,	\$49 50

RECAPITULATION.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Outstanding orders drawn by prior board,	\$1028 61
“ “ “ present board,	417 83
Breaking roads, winter of 1883-84,	582 99
“ “ “ 1884-85,	567 54
Other extra highway,	805 59
Road machine,	215 00
Town pauper,	35 00
County paupers,	412 16
Miscellaneous expenses,	201 95
Services and expenses of town officers,	701 86
School money,	1566 75
School-house tax,	495 00
State tax,	1184 00
County,	1165 05
Notes and interest,	2980 39
Abatements of taxes,	49 74
Bounties on woodchucks,	79 20
Damage on highway,	35 00
Damage done by dogs,	10 50

\$12,534 24

Less order No. 308, see treasurer's report, \$1 92

The financial condition of the town is as follows :

ASSETS.

Cash in treasury as shown by treasurer's report,	\$199 52
Other assets as shown by treasurer's report,	6565 00
Due from Sidney M. Cilley, collector for 1883,	86 50
Due from Sidney M. Cilley, collector for 1884,	472 26
State, for bounties on woodchucks,	2 60
A. J. Buswell, old timber,	8 00
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	\$7333 88

LIABILITIES.

Daniel Downes' note,	\$300 00
School district, No. 9,	19 38
Balance,	<hr/> \$7014 50
We committed to Sidney M. Cilley, collector of taxes	
for 1884, tax lists, amounting, in all, to	\$4696 17
Collector has paid treasurer,	4224 17
Balance due from collector,	<hr/> \$472 26

SUMMER TAX.

Districts.	Surveyors.	Estimated distance in district. Miles.	Amount of money to district.	Amount of money per mile.
No. 1	J. W. Trumbull,	5	91 03	18 12
2	J. W. Elkins,	1	11 65	11 65
3	P. C. Atwood,	4 1-2	110 90	24 64
4	Wesley J. Cilley,	5	25 07	5 01
5	Amos H. Proctor,	8	348 20	43 52
6	H. M. Thompson,	2 1-2	50 52	20 08
7	James Sullivan,	3 1-2	43 94	12 84
8	Wilton P. Graves,	3	43 27	14 42
9	J. D. Philbrick,	6	90 42	15 07
10	J. T. Fifield,	3	23 29	7 76
11	C. J. White,	6	49 08	8 28
12	J. C. Nowell,	2	32 39	16 19
13	F. P. Thompson,	5	40 56	8 11
14	Jonathan Cilley,	2	32 39	16 19
15	D. C. Durgin,	5	91 17	18 17
16	George Graves,	6	154 00	25 62
17	C. W. Wiggins,	1 1-2	31 75	21 16
18	George F. Shaw,	1 1-2	35 64	23 76
19	O. E. Eastman,	2 1-2	87 11	32 85
20	C. H. Hilton,	9	83 27	9 29
21	B. E. Sweatt,	1	19 88	19 88
22	D. B. Burley,	2	24 94	12 47

STATE BONDS, ROAD MACHINES, AND HIGHWAY TAXES.

The town instructed us to sell the bonds instead of putting their hands into their pockets and paying the taxes. We have, therefore, sold those whose face value amounted to \$2,500. The town, or the few who voted for it, in their wisdom seem to have adopted the policy of the old fable. A man had a peculiar hen. She laid a golden egg every day. He taxed his intellect until his suspicion ripened into the conclusion that there was a great mass of gold concealed within. His mouth watered to get hold of it at once. He killed the hen, but found no gold; and thus lost all the benefits of the steady gain that he might have had. If the town wants to get into the situation of the man who lived on the interest of the money he owed, all they have to do is to keep on in the present course.

Under the vote of the town, we bought a road machine for \$215 in Boston. Mary had little faith in it, but here as elsewhere "the proof of the pudding has been in the eating." It has been subjected to various and severe tests, and often-times at a marked disadvantage. But these tests have demonstrated that a better result can be obtained by the machine at one-third, and in some marked instances, at less than one-third, of the expense under the old method. It is impossible for the best results to be obtained under the old district method. The machine should be run by one person, whether called an agent or surveyor, as it is done in many towns. When one man becomes thoroughly acquainted with it he can take care of it to the best advantage in road making.

The bills for breaking the roads for the last and the present year are simply appalling. The sooner the town looks this matter squarely in the face, the better for all concerned. The way this money is distributed is a mockery of all equality and all idea of either common sense or justice. We raised last year \$1,500 for summer tax and none for winter. Some districts got about five dollars per mile of the summer highway tax, and others more than forty. Whereas, in justice the former should have had more money than the latter, as they were districts where the population has for years been steadily decreasing and the property shrinking in value, while the reverse was true of the others, and this has compelled us to draw from the treasury to keep the highways in a half-civilized condition, even on some of the main throughfares in these districts where there is no money. More than \$600 were paid out for breaking roads last spring, after the March election. What it will be for the same period the present year, no one can foretell. The chances are that for the last year, and till bare ground the present year, the town will have to pay nearly \$2,000 for breaking roads. With bond selling and these enormous burdens the town must put its hands deep in its pockets or bankruptcy will stare it in the face. We have had folly enough. It is time that the town took the matter in hand and made business sense the rule in these matters.

HENRY W. KILBURN, } Selectmen of
CHARLES C. DAVIS, } Andover.

I have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen of Andover for the current fiscal year, ending March 1, 1885, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES W. STONE, Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

1884.

March	1	Balance in treasury,	\$97 66
	1	Solon A. Carter, state treasurer, amount due from state for bounty on crows,	7 40
	1	Estate of Watson Dickerson, on note given by the town,	925 00
April	14	John P. Carr, on note given by the town,	300 00
	29	Robert B. Chalmers, by the hand of Shirley & Stone, on execution of Town vs Chalmers,	65 95
May	5	John P. Carr, on note given by the town,	200 00
June	26	Solon A. Carter, for N. H. Reg- istered Bond, No. 52,	
		Par value,	\$2200 00
		Premium,	504 58
		Interest 5mo. 25 days,	72 92
			—————\$3077 50
Sept	3	Andrew C. Fifield, fish warden, it being the amount due the town for fines col- lected,	15 50
		Solon A. Carter, state treasurer, interest on bonds for 1 year,	390 00

Railroad tax,	\$605 08	
Savings Bank tax,	1284 19	
Literary fund,	117 60	
	<hr/>	\$2006 87
Bounties paid on woodchucks,		76 60
George P. Little, county treasurer, for aid rendered county paupers,		422 12
C. C. Moulton, janitor, for rents of Town Hall,		29 50
Clark Durgin, in full, for tramp house at East Andover,		19 00
Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1882, in full,		30 82
Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1883,	520 48	
Interest collected,	10 98	
	<hr/>	\$531 46
Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1884, school house tax, district No 12,		460 32
Sidney M. Cilley, collector, 1884,	3763 85	
Interest collected,	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,768 85
Feb. 28 Daniel Downes, on note given by the town,	300 00	
28 Daniel M. Davis, for note and interest in full,		7 29
		<hr/>
		\$12,731 84

EXPENDITURES.

Paid—

Orders issued by former board of select- men,	1028 61
Orders issued by present board of select- men,	11,503 71
	<hr/>
	12,522 32

Balance in treasury,	199 52
	<hr/>
	\$12,731 84

ASSETS.

Cash on hand,	199 52
State bonds and interest to March 1, 1885,	6565 00
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	\$6764 52

LIABILITIES.

Daniel Downes' note, \$300 00, dated Feb 28, 1885.	300 00
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DANIEL B. WEYMOUTH, TREASURER,

I have carefully examined the foregoing account, of Daniel B. Weymouth, treasurer, for the current fiscal year ending March 1, 1885, and find them to be correctly cast and properly vouched.

CHARLES W. STONE, AUDITOR.

REPORT OF FISH and GAME WARDEN.

Sept	3	Received of Shirley & Stone, fine and costs in State vs T. Hilliard,	\$25 46
Paid—			
		Shirley & Stone, taxable costs of John W. Keniston, magistrate, Charles N. Emerson, sheriff, and services of Shirley & Stone, in action State vs Hilliard,	9 96
		Town treasurer,	15 50
			<hr/>
			25 46
		To services and money paid out as fish and game warden,	23 75
ANDREW C. FIFIELD, Fish and Game Warden.			

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

In submitting the annual report of your committee it affords great pleasure to congratulate the citizens of Andover upon the general success and harmony prevailing during the year in the various schools of the town. Whatever differences of opinion may have existed in any district, the disturbing elements have been kept outside the school-room, and it is very pleasant to notice the personal interest taken in the welfare of the schools by parents and citizens, manifested by frequent visits to the school and hearty co-operation in all measures for the attainment of the grand object of all education,—the expansion of the mind and the development of thinking faculties.

The fact has been often stated, and as often proven, that the success or failure of our schools depend largely upon the efforts of the

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEES.

Early in the season, the committees of the various districts were urged, in selecting teachers, to consider not only the requirements of the school during the summer term, but also the

qualifications probably necessary to successfully manage the fall and winter terms, to the end that the same teachers might be retained during the year, should circumstances warrant. In eight of the eleven schools no change of teacher has been made, and it is only just to the prudential committees that this report should mention their interest in the respective schools, not only in securing teachers of recognized ability, but also in encouragement afforded both teacher and pupils by frequently visiting the schools and by a general appreciation of the responsibilities of the office.

TEACHERS.

With no exception the teachers in charge of the schools of the town have labored with most commendable earnestness and zeal, and a brief mention of some results will be found in the special report ; while for a more precise account of the practical knowledge gained under their stewardship, you are referred to the two hundred bright-eyed scholars of the schools of the town.

It is not our purpose to burden this report with vague generalities regarding the proper qualifications of a successful teacher. The subject has received much attention in the reports of my predecessors, and which contain apt and wise suggestions concerning the faculties most essential for the instruction of youth.

Whatever advancement is noticeable in the management of the schools of our State, this fact is plainly evident,—the necessity of a natural adaptation for teaching is more fully recognized, and the superiority of a good over a poor school is

better appreciated as years go by. As we have previously stated, education is no longer the prime requisite of a teacher. Equally essential is the faculty of imparting instruction, of awakening an interest in pupils, of knowing how to teach the young mind first to think and then to think logically and systematically. The importance of teaching scholars to do their own thinking is not always properly considered, and a too close confinement to text books frequently allowed.

For the mere development of thought and the expansion of the mind it may be necessary to require the difficult exercises of the book; but for the practical application of knowledge gained, originality of thought and expression must be fostered and encouraged. Superintendent Stone well said, "The successful teacher in the future will give us more creative work and less mechanical drudgery."

SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A new school-house has been built in the new district, known as No. 12, at an expense of \$450. It is furnished with easy and comfortable seats of modern style, and is most admirably adapted to the wants of the school. The citizens here have certainly manifested much enterprise by uniting the districts and providing a pleasant and attractive school-room; and while far better school advantages will be secured to the scholars of the district, it evinces a spirit of progress which is an honor to all interested. The sum of \$50 has been expended upon the house in No. 8, and a small sum upon that in district No. 5.

No material changes have been made in other school-houses since our last report. They have served the purpose for which

they were designed with fairly good acceptance, and with one or two exceptions are respectable and convenient. We hope a better system of schools will soon be adopted, which will furnish a more equal distribution of the advantages of a pleasant school room.

APPARATUS.

We find some districts well supplied with globes, charts and blackboards, which aids are highly important, and are to the scholar what implements are to the laborer. All districts should at least have a good supply of blackboards. The improved method of teaching, fast coming into use, make this apparatus more necessary, and are in a great measure taking the place of text-books, affording greater variety, and stimulating more interest in the branches thus taught.

TEXT-BOOKS.

No change has been made in text-books during the year, although not as uniform as could be desired. Those generally used in the schools of the town, and perhaps should be exclusively, are as follows:—

Lippincott's Reader, Swinton's Speller, Greenleaf's Arithmetic, (with Eaton's Primary) Robinson's Algebra, Harper's Geography, Greene's Grammar, Brown's Physiology, and Meservey's Book-keeping.

SCHOOL MONEY.

The entire amount of money appropriated for schools was \$1566.75, apportioned to the various districts as shown in the

statistical table appended. This includes \$500 raised by vote of the town, and \$50 by district No. 4.

It may not be out of place to here say, that by the recent apportionment of the liabilities of the various towns to the State, the percentage appropriated by law for schools was reduced in this town the present year, \$122.50. In view of this fact the necessity of extra school money by vote of the town is more apparent than before.

SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

We are aware that the subject of consolidation of districts has been discussed, and the advantages of the same urged in many previous reports submitted to the citizens of the town, and it is not presented here in order to follow the precedent, but for the reason that we are firmly impressed with the practical utility to be derived from the changes herein suggested.

It is not without thought and much consideration, directed by what knowledge we have been able to gain of the condition and needs of the various schools and school districts of the town, that we venture to express an opinion. The best policy to be adopted regarding the schools of the rural districts of the state is an important question, and one much agitated by those having the best interests of our schools at heart. While there is no system entirely free from objections, there can be no reasonable doubt of the practical benefits to be derived by the adoption of the town system, thus placing the entire management of the schools in the hands of a board of education. The general supervision of the schools will enable them to readily perceive the requirements of each, and which will lead to the employment of teachers best adapted to the respective

places. Scholars from different sections of the town will receive more equal advantages, while with the same appropriation of money, twice the present number of weeks of schooling will be obtained in some instances (with more beneficial schools) and only the disadvantage of more travel, which is, in a measure, provided for by law.

Perhaps the greatest objection to this change has been the prevalent idea that it would result in a general annihilation of the district lines of the town. In view of the present condition and location of the schools and school-houses, we should consider but few changes necessary.

District No. 11 should unite with No. 10; No. 1, with No. 2; then, with a new school-house at East Andover, and in No. 9, and the town system adopted, your schools will be in condition to receive far greater benefits from the money expended. These few changes will confer upon the boys and girls of Andover the benefits of perhaps the best school system existing in the country districts; will place the town in the line of progression in educational matters; will give a very creditable comparison of your schools and school conveniences with those of the most enterprising towns of the State; and will add to the reputation and honor already enjoyed by the voters of this town for enterprising and progressive action, which have ever been the result of their deliberations in the past upon other questions of public interest.

SPECIAL REPORT.

No. 1,—KEARSARGE.

Teacher, Miss Stella M. Downes.

The reputation for studiousness and regularity of attendance previously won by this school was fully sustained throughout the present year. We do not know how greater interest and more thorough work could be incorporated in so small school. This was Miss Downes' first experience in teaching, and her success in this calling is already assured.

No. 2,—CILLEEVILLE.

Teacher, Miss Grace E. Whitcomb.

Experience, and a natural talent for the work of the school-room, enabled Miss Whitcomb to easily conduct the school through the year with most pleasing results. The school had the sympathy and co-operation of teacher, parents and scholars, and excellent progress was made in everything.

No. 3, — WEST ANDOVER.

Teacher, Miss Effie E. Dodge, first and second terms.

This is one of the energetic schools, which quality was in no way retarded by the characteristic earnestness of the teacher. This school is capable of utilizing the efforts of our best teachers, and Miss Dodge was fully equal to the task, maintaining her reputation gained in No. 5 last year. Thoroughness and self-dependence were prominent features of the school.

Mr. James D. LeGro, teacher, third term.

The previous experience of Mr. LeGro in teaching, and in the management of schools, in other sections of the State, enabled him to perceive at once the necessary action for success. He entered upon the work with interest, was accorded the good will of the scholars and the respect of the citizens, and a most profitable school was the result.

No. 4, — ANDOVER CENTRE.

Teacher, Miss Alice L. Morse.

An average attendance of thirty-five scholars for the year is reported, making it the largest school in town, and one of the most interesting as well. The fine mental attainments and pleasing manner of the teacher at once won the love and respect of her scholars; consequently the government was easy, the work interesting, and progress most excellent. The supply of school apparatus here is a valuable help to both teacher and scholars.

The more advanced scholars of this district were placed under the instruction of Proctor Academy, and which arrangement we understand has proven most advantageous.

This report and statistical table do not include that portion of instruction in this district.

No. 5,—BEECH HILL.

Teacher, Miss Florence Buzzell, first term.

Although Miss Buzzell's first experience in teaching, she readily perceived the needs of the school and displayed much energy in its management. With a sincere interest in the welfare of her scholars every faculty was exerted in their behalf, and all interested have reason to be much pleased with the progress made.

Miss Carrie M. Dodge, teacher, second term.

At our first visit there was every indication of a pleasant school, and perhaps there is no reason for reporting otherwise. We were called to the school during the term to consider slight difficulties which were easily adjusted, and at the closing examination the scholars evinced good improvement and a decided thoroughness in the work accomplished. With a little experience Miss Dodge will be a superior teacher.

No. 7,—TAUNTON HILL.

Teacher, Miss Clara M. Farnum.

Miss Farnum is a lady of culture, whose experience in the school-room and careful attention to the most minute details of school duty will always ensure success.

It was a model school in every respect, and the best order we have ever seen in the school-room.

No. 8,—BOSTON HILL.

Teacher, Miss Ida A. Currier, first term.

This school is thoroughly alive, contains some of the brightest scholars in town, and needs the guidance of an experienced

teacher. It was Miss Currier's first term, in consideration of which fact she earned for herself much credit, working faithfully and well for the good of the school.

Miss Lizzie B. Rogers, teacher, second term.

The excellent service rendered by Miss Rogers in No. 7 the previous year, was continued in this school.

Order and thoroughness were enforced, and the closing examination reflected much credit upon both teacher and scholars

NO. 9, — FLAG HOLE.

Teacher, Miss Alice E. Chase.

A remarkable interest was manifested by all connected with the school and the results were most satisfactory.

A compliment to the teacher's efforts is the fact that the names of nine of the ten scholars attending the summer term are found on the Roll of Honor.

During the full term the school was somewhat broken by sickness, yet good improvement was made.

NO. 10, — EAST ANDOVER.

Teacher, Mrs Jennie T. P. White.

Mrs White's reputation as a teacher is too well established to need any words of comment here. It certainly requires rare faculties to manage successfully a school of this size, composed of all grades, from the primer to the higher mathematics and the sciences.

Without an exception, the scholars were thoroughly interested in their various studies, and the classes advanced so even-

ly that special mention is hardly possible; and yet we do not hesitate to say that the work of the class in Physiology has not been excelled in the State since the passage of the law relating to this study.

The register reports seventy visits, which attest to the citizens' interest in the school.

NO. 11,—TUCKER MOUNTAIN.

Teacher, Miss Cora B. Durgin.

The appreciation of Miss Durgin's instruction in this school during 1883 is forcibly expressed by placing her in charge of the school for another year; and it is always a pleasure to report such interest and good work as was here observed. The most cordial relations exist between teacher and scholars, and all was accomplished that could reasonably be expected.

NO. 12.

Teacher, — Miss Millie F. Eastman.

A school which now takes its proper place with others in the town.

Miss Eastman proved equal to its management, and with fidelity to her trust most successfully conducted the school during the twenty-eight weeks of its existence.

The third term was in the new school-house, and no one could fail to notice the advantage to the school previously referred to in this report.

Respectfully Submitted,

N. J. BACHELDER,

Superintendent of Schools.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Scholars who have attended each session of their respective schools during the year without being tardy.

Dist.	Name.	Dist.	Name.
1	Richard Arnold.	9	Henry Nowell.
	Leroy L. Cilley.		Cordelia Rayno.
3	Carrie M. Cilley.		Jennie Rayno.
4	Ella Carr.	10	Anna Clay.
	Fannie P. Carr.		Grace Eastman.
	Addie J. Emerson.		Issa Tuttle.
	Edson C. Baldwin.		Stella Tuttle.
5	Mary A. Merrill.		Lynford Tuttle.
	Alice F. Merrill.		Albert Durgin.
	Geneva Hall.	11	Mary J. Hersey.
7	Hattie M. Campbell.		Edith S. Hersey.
8	Annie M. White.		Grace J. Tucker.
	Daisy U. Sawyer.		Mabel N. Greeley.
	Frank M. Haley.		Herman S. Greeley.
	Luther J. Sawyer.		Henry G. Greeley.
	Fred S. Appleton.	12	Dora O. Howard.
9	Charles Nowell.		Hattie B. Howard.

